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GIBRALTAR.

Quarantine regulation.

GIBRALTAR, April 24, 1897.

With reference to the board of health notice of the 28th of January last, it has this day been decided, at a meeting of the board, to admit to pratique vessels arriving from Calcutta and other eastward Indian ports, provided that they bring clean bills of health and have health on board.

H. M. JACKSON,

Colonial Secretary for Secretary to Board of Health.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

Smallpox at Honolulu.

HONOLULU, HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, April 18, 1897.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that on the 12th instant smallpox was discovered among the Japanese laborers who were landed on the quarantine station from the Kinai Maru on the 9th instant. Six cases in all have developed, but no deaths. No cases of the disease have appeared on shore.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

ELLIS MILLS,

United States Consul-General.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

INDIA.

Remarks on the official summary of deaths and births in the city of Bombay for the week ended April 6, 1897.

BOMBAY, April 8, 1897.

SIR: The energetic daily house-to-house visitation under the direction of General Gatacre and his plague committee appears to be gradually stamping out the epidemic. The weekly average decrease in the total mortality of the city for the past eight weeks has been 113, and it is estimated that if this rate of improvement is maintained for another six weeks, the death rate should be back to about the normal rate for this season of the year. Many persons are still leaving the northern part of the city, where the disease is still very bad. But the influx to other parts is greater than the exodus, and the average population has been increasing rapidly for some weeks past. It is not probable, however, that the present population exceeds one-half the census of 1891.

Population according to census of 1891.....	821,764
Present population, for the purpose of this report, estimated one-half the above..	410,882
Total number of deaths reported for the week.....	1,007
Total number of deaths for corresponding week last year.....	665
Mean of corresponding week previous five years	559
Allowing that one-half the population has left the city, the proportionate number of deaths based on the mean of previous five years would be.....	279
Number of deaths last week that may be attributed to plague.....	728